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HANDSOME HOMES

Washington Residences That Add to the City's Attractions.

WHERE-NOTED MEN LIVE

Secretary Alger, Justice Gray and Thomas Nelson Page.

NEW AND OLD HOUSES

The residence of the Secretary of War for the next four years will be the Hazen house, corner of 16th and K streets, which has been occupied for several years by Gen. Draper, now ambassador to Italy. The house is very large and has an English basement entrance. A few years ago, while Mrs. Hazen lived there, she had the high brown-stone porch removed and the lower entrance built in its stead. This arrangement brings into use the lower basement rooms, and for the home of a public man entirely separates its official and domestic sections very satisfactorily. One side of the broad hall is a cheerful reception room, and on the other are the offices. Upon occasions of entertainments these rooms will



ecretary Alger's Residence.

make very handy cloak rooms and avoid the climbing of an extra flight of steps by the guests. The stairs and hall are carpeted in vivid crimson. On the main floor there is the large drawing room at the left, the music room adjoining it in the rear, and across the hall the sitting room, library and dining room. These last have a sunny aspect, facing both the east and south. The house is now robed in summer dress, which, with the outside awnings, indicate its comfortable arrangement for warm

weather occupancy.

The drawing room has green tints on the walls, and with the dainty furniture covering makes an ideal summer parlor. The music room adjoining is in pale yellow tints. The floors are covered by fine rugs. A grand plano and an upright, with mandother walls it is the floor of the state of the st lins, guitars and other musical instruments, are most conspicuous in its furnishings and portray the musical taste of the family. The paintings on the walls of all the rooms on the main floor are the most valued parts s ornamental treasures. They have brought on from the Detroit home of the Algers and represent many of the most pleasing examples of modern artists. Here and there in the various rooms are exquisite pieces of fine china, carved ivory and other bric-a-brac, which give a lux-urious home touch to the surroundings.

Mr. Page's Palatial Residence. Mr. Thomas Nelson Page's new residence. New Hampshire avenue and R street, will be occupied next winter. Mr. and Mrs. Page are now abroad, and it is said will purchase during their travels many of the treasures which will form its future adornment. There probably never was a house built in the West End of late years which has received less admiration than this one. Mr. Page wanted to reproduce a office was to have been performed by President McKinley, who has concluded, however, that his public duties will not permit of his participating in the ceremonles.

best service obtainable.

southern mansion, and he has done so, and critical people say it would be quite perfect if it had the surroundings of extensive lawns, or a background of wooded land, such as the average person connects always mentally at least with the spacious old homes of the south. The brickwork has ar unfinished appearance, and it was generally supposed the walls were to have a stucco finish. The bricks are a reproduction, however, of the bricks which were brought over from England for building



purposes in the early colonial days, and are of course the keynote to the whole idea in the construction of the house. The man-sion is very large. The rooms are immense, the construction of the house. The mansion is very large. The rooms are immense, some of them almost as large as the ordinary rooms at the White House. The broad portico at the entrance has large white fluted columns, and is approached by low stone steps. There is a spacious vestibule and a wide hall, the most important feature of which is the staircase, which is broad enough to allow at least four persons to walk up or down it abreast. There is a generous-sized window above the first landing, which lights the hall. One side of this English basement story is taken up with kitchens, refrigerator rooms, etc. No hard wood appears as yet in the trimmings of the house. The entire space of the second floor is taken up with the stair landing, the drawing room, library, dining room and pantry. The library is the largest room of the suite and in the house. With the dialing room it covers the entire front and more than a third of the depth of the building.

ing.

The room is still in the rough, but gives evidence of what a cheerful, bright effect it will have. The east side of the room will it will have. The east side of the room will be taken up by the fireplace, and the cozy corners on each side of the hearth. Bookshelves will line the entire apartment and almost its height. The dining room and pantry cover the entire depth on the west side. The parlor faces New Hampshire avenue and is large and oddly shaped. It opens on a loggia, which has a handsomely tiled floor and a row of fluted columns, which support the stories above. The staircase above the parlor floor is a winding one, leading to the bedchambers. The house has a passenger lift and every possible modern luxury in its construction. sible modern luxury in its construction. There are several months more of work yet to be accomplished, hardwood floors to be laid, etc., before the finishing touches of

Justice Gray's Home.

Justice Gray's roomy home, corner of 16th and I streets, has every advantage of The structure is an old house, considerably modernized; and while as unpretentious inside as without, is a very comfortable dwelling, with the living rooms communicating with each other. The vestibule entrance is deep and broad. The parlors, the staircase, hall and dining room cover the first floor. The simplicity of the arrangement suggests the colonial style. The staircase hall has ample width. The at irregular spaces on the second story is Justice Gray's library. The book shelves line the room and represent the cultured taste of their New England owner as well as his law library. The house has a large garden which is overlooked by the windows of the adjoining hotel. The steep roof of the house and its almost square dimen-sions give it an air of substantial solidity and comfort which might easily be associated with a much older dwelling in a

West Point Battle Monument. It has been arranged that Secretary Alger shall accept for the government the battle monument at West Point, N. Y .. which will be dedicated with elaborate ceremonies Menday, the 31st instant. This

REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Rumors About the Purchase of an Entire Square.

A NEW F STREET OFFICE BUILDING

Some Features of a Recent Architectural Competition.

ERECTION OF HOUSES

An interesting rumor is going around to the effect that an effort is being made to get control of the various pieces of property in the square bounded by Pennsylvania avenue, Jackson place, H and 17th streets. A few days ago one of the property owners was approached by a real estate agent, who said that he desired to purchase the property, and a price was named. It was stated in explanation of the purpose in buying this particular piece that he was acting in the interest of a syndicate, representing English money, and he said it was the intention if the entire on this square have been approached on this subject, and it is said that several now



An F Street Office Building.

Plans for the building which Mr. Joseph E. Willard intends to erect at the northwest corner of 14th and F streets are now in the hands of bidders, and it is expected that the contract will be awarded and the construction begun in the early part of O. R. Jones at Helmend and Lydecker next month. The plans were prepared by streets. Mr. Walter G. Peter, architect, Mr. W. Upton, engineer, being consulted on the steel work. The building will be constructed of brown or red stone, and a mottled brick of brown or buff color. The design of the building is simple, but pleasing, attention having been given more to con structive features than to mere ornamenta

tion.

The building will be six stories in height with a frontage of 41 feet 7 inches on I street and 75 on 14th street. There will be entrances on both streets, and as the entire building will be devoted to office purposes the ground floor will be used for that purpose. The stone work will extend to the first story, and the upper portion of the structure will be brick. The second-story windows will be arched, and the treatment of the next three stories will be uniform, with openings in panels which extend the entire height. A band of stone will be the basis for the upper story, which will have a mezzanine story above. There will be a copper cornice and a parapet wall. There will be two bays on the 14th street front, extending the entire height of the building and supported on stone brackets at the second story. Between the bays there will be wrought-iron balconies, with the exception of the upper story, where the space will be filled in with copper. Although the walls on the west and the north are party walls, they will be constructed of selected brick, with red joints, so that they will present a better appearance. ance than the average party wall built of common brick, which in buildings of this character are exposed to public view.

The construction will be fire-proof throughout. The frame work will be of steel, the stone and brick simply being used to fill in the openings as a protection from the weather. A rather novel feature is the device adopted for the handling of optician, to take charge of the department. Equipped with the latest scientific appliances many of which are known only to such up-to-date practitioners he offers you the very the steel beams in the party walls. The walls are built on the dividing line, and where the beams occur will be projections of eight inches, thus forming panels in the party walls. The floors in the halls will be marble, and there will be wainscoting of the same material in the vestibules and halls of the first floor. The building will be finished in oak throughout.

Col. Bates' Residence.

An addition is being built to the residence of Col. Bates at the northeast corner of 18th and N streets. The new part will make the main entrance from that street in place of the present entrance from 18th street. There will be a driveway, which will rass under the first story and go around the house, with an exit on 18th street.

On the opposite side of 18th street fro this residence is the home of the Austrian minister, which fronts on Connecticut ave nue. The n inister has under consideraplans for an addition to the rear of building, which will extend back to the building, which will extend back to 18th street. It is not the intention to carry out these plans this year, but the minister thinks that it will be possible to do something next year. If the present plans are carried out the north end of the addition will be used as an office of the legation, and the part to the south will be used as a ball room. The architect who has prepared the plans, Mr. Pelz, has also designed a panel, which will bear the arms of the Emperor of Austria, and will be inserted in the walls over the main entrance on Connecticut avenue.

Episcopal Cathedral Plans The competition which has just ended for the design of the proposed Hearst school for girls, to be erected in connection with the Episcopal Cathedral, is looked upon as a most satisfactory one. Five architects city and three from other places. The plans were signed by ron de plumes, so that the identity of the authors was not known until the selection had been made. After Mrs. Hearst, who will contribute the money for the erection of the building, had inspected the plans and had made her selection, the trustees, without knowing what her choice was, made their selection. The plans chosen were the same in both instances. As soon as the choice had been made the plans were returned to the unsuccessful contestants, and a check for \$500 was sent to each.

As the design of the new building which has been accepted was made with the view that the structure would be located on the site which has been selected for the catheplans were signed by ron de plumes, so

drai, it is possible that some changes will be necessary in the event that the proposi-tion is adopted, which, as stated in The Star, is now under consideration, to select some other locality for the cathedral.

Demand for Property. Auctioneers report that sales are well attended, and that a good deal more interest is being manifested in property than was formerly the case. Some of the prices obtained are regarded as excellent. From the standpoint of the real estate auctioneer, the market is improving constantly, and the cutlook is regarded as specially prom-ising.

A Large Business Building. The old buildings known as the Boston

Variety Store, on Market space, between 7th and 8th streets, Emmons S. Smith, proprietor, are to be torn down and in their stead one of the finest business houses in Washington is to be built. The building will have a frontage of 77 feet by a depth of 120 feet, and will be six by a depth of 120 feet, and will be six stories, basement and attic in height. Its front will be a particularly striking one of classic design and built of Indiana limestone, white brick and white terra cotta. In the center of the front, the wide entrances over which and forming a part of the entrance feature, will be a large circular window. cular window, framed in rich design of ferra cotta and flanked on either side by two life-size female figures emblematic of manufactures and industries; two large pilasters of stone, with richly carved caps and ornaments, will inclose this whole central section and will rise to the height of the third floor, where the treatment of the design will be appropriately plain, and will be finished at this point with a balushe said it was the intention if the entire trade. So much of this central feature square could be obtained to erect there a shas been described will have a slight handsome hotel building. The names of one or two well-known capitalists in this city were mentioned as promoters of this enterprise. According to the reports in will extend through the next three stories, circulation nearly all the property holders connected by ornamented terra cotta arches with festooned keys and other appropriate ornaments, such as the French style of treatment calls for. The two wings of the front as all that part extending from this central feature may be called, will be of a pleasing character, the design of the second and third stories being kept quiet and plain, while the next three stories will be emphasized with double or twin Ionic columns, separating the wide plate glass windows. A rich festooned and otherwise highly consented frieze of white terre nighly ornamented frieze of white terra cotta and an appropriate cornice with balustrade above will surmount and cross balustrade above will surmount and cress the entire structure, being broken by the receding central portion and numerous ornamented posts. The steel skeleton frame has been adopted. The interior will be one spacious room on each floor, though in the basement, which will be a finished room, will be located all the tollet rooms and other necessary conveniences. Two electric elevators will be provided of the most approved type, and every embellishment will be put in all parts of the structure to make it a model of its kind. The total cost when completed and ready for occupancy will be \$90,000. The contract has been awarded to Mr. F. H. Duehay. Mr. T. F. Schneider is the architec

Some Improvements.

Plans for a frame cottage to be erected at Marshall Hall for George Reinfels have been prepared by A. Geonner, architect. A one-story engine and boiler house, 52 by 150 feet, is to be erected by the Metropolitan Railroad Company at the northeast corner of $4\frac{1}{2}$ and P streets southwest.

Three brick houses are to be effected by
W. Dannenhower, on 5th street between G and H streets.

Plane for twenty two-story houses to be erected at Brightwood and Harvard ave-nues have been prepared by Henry Simpson, architect.

A new front of copper is to be placed in the establishment of Byron S. Adams, on lith street. Changes in the interior will be made, so that the office will extend across the entire front, and will be fitted with a parquet floor and hardwood trimmings.

AFTER TREASURY POSITIONS.

atest List of Applications Filed at

the Department. Applications for positions in the Treas ury Department have been filed as follows: E. G. Smith of Philadelphia, to be deputy auditor for the Post Office Department; J. S. McCullough, to be superintendent of the mint at Carson City, Nev.; R. L. Schroeder, to be assayer in New Orleans mint; H. W. Brendel, to be collector of customs at Buffalo, N. Y.; J. B. Jenkins, to be collector of customs at St. Mary's, Ga.; S. M. Tilford, to be surveyor at Chattancoga, Tenn.; J. F. Carter of Dorsey's, Md., to be surveyor at Baltimore, Md.; Wm. Krouse, to be surveyor at Memphis, Tenn.; L. B. Burr, to be appraiser at Buffalo: E. A. Hazen, to be examiner of drugs at San Francisco; Wm. Martin of Pittsburg, Pa., to be commissioner general of immigration at Washington; J. C. Currier of California, to be superintendent of the of California, to be superintendent of the San Francisco mint; C. W. Hartup of Texas, to be collector of customs at Eagle Pass, Texas; M. M. Lipseomb of Virginia, to be collector of customs at Richmond, Va.; C. Guistram and H. K. Davis of Tex-Va.; C. Guistram and H. K. Davis of Texas, to be collector of customs at Galveston; J. H. Jackson of Texas, to be collector of customs at El Paso, Texas; D. R. Collier and C. M. Barnett of Kentucky, to be surveyor of customs at Louisville, Ky.; G. S. Nash and W. E. Davis of Texas, to be collector of internal revenue at Dallas, Texas.

Army Orders.

Capt. R. J. C. Irvine, 11th Infantry, has been crdered to repair to this city and to report to the adjutant general for duty. Capt. John T. Knight, assistant quartermsster, has been ordered to duty at Jefferson-barracks, Mo. Lieut. Col. Wm. E. Waters, deputy surgeon general, has been relieved from duty at Columbus barracks, Ohio, and ordered to proceed home and await retirement.

Capt. Wm. A. Nichols, 23d Infantry, has been granted leave of absence for three menths. menths.

Capt. H. E. Tutherly, 1st Cavalry, has been detailed to attend the encampment of the National Guard of Verment.

Lieut. Wm. Yates, 1st Cavalry, has been detailed to two years, instruction at the Military School at Fort Leaven orth.

Leaves of absence have been granted as follows: Lieut. F. S. Strong, 4th Artillery, for three months; Lieut. Col. Marcus P. Miller, 1st Artillery, for one month and fourteen days; Lieut. G. D. Gayer, 16th Infantry, for three months; Lieut. B. K. West, 6th Cavalry, for four months.

TWO WASHINGTON GIRLS

They Won High Praise at Graduating Exercises in New York

A Washington young woman won first honors Thursday afternoon at the graduating exercises of the New York School of Expression in the Caraggie Lyceum. Miss Edith Perley Dickgroon, who was graduated from the Washington High School in the class of 1889, took the leading part in the exercises of the afternoon. Miss Jessie Elinor Ditto, who is taking a

Miss Jessie Elinor Ditto, who is taking a post-graduate course, wod applause for her work. Bhe is also a graduate of the Washington High School of the class of '90, and was graduated from the New York School of Expression last year.

The most important number was a pantomime, entitled "Jephthah's Daughter," in which Miss Dickerson was the star and both received high praise.

Eoth of the Washington girls also took part in another alsort pantamime, entitled "The Panathensie Procession," and is the statue poses, which counted of adoctions from classic art. In the elecutionary line Miss Dickerson also recited Mrs. Prowning's peem "Resp."

THE NATIONAL GUARD

Articles for the Government of the Efficiency Competition.

DRILL, APPEARANCE AND GUARD DUTY

Adjutant General Mosher Prepares a Plan for Camp.

RIFLEMEN AT JOLIET

Articles for the government of the efficlency competition have been formulated, and copies are now in the hands of Gen. Ordway and Maj. Alexander for their consideration. After action by the officers named, the articles are to be printed and distributed throughout the brigade. The articles are as follows:

The whole amount to be awarded in prizes for the first year is to consist of \$600, the prizes to be as follows: First, \$200; second, \$150; third, \$100; fourth, \$75; fifth, \$50. and sixth. \$25.

The executive committee shall establish the scale of ratings for the examinations and inspections provided for.

Any organization in the National Guard. May 1, 1897, and whose existence during the year of this competition is continuous, st all be considered as in the competition. All boards of officers constituted as judges shall consist of four members, three of whom shall be a quorum. No company officer shall participate in the markings of his company, and no staff officer in the markings of any company in his organization.

Wherever it is provided that any examination shall be made after notice, such notice shall be given seven days before the day of the examination.

All questions arising either among members of the boards nerein provided, or be-tween boards and organizations competing, shall be referred to the executive commit-

tee, whose action shall be final.

Any officer who shall willfully make any misrepresentation on any report or returns upon which any part of this competition rests, shall be reported to the executive committee, and a further continuance of the organization in the competition shall be dealt with as a majority of the committee shall direct.

Drill, Military Appearance and Guard Duty.

Drill-In manual of arms, platoon and company movements and extended order. To be marked twice during the period of competition; once prior to January 1 without previous notice, and once after January 1, after notice.

Military appearance-Including general appearance—including general appearance of the company, its sizing, steadiness, correctness of formation, physique of men and set up. To be marked on occasions of regular drills and parades.

Guard duty—Knowledge of requirements of guard duty, duty of sentinels and performance of the ceremony of guard mount by the whole company in camp.

If any company, through not being assigned to such duty, shall not as an or-

signed to such duty, shall not, as an orcamp, the examination shall be held in the drill hall without previous notice, and as far as practicable under the same conditions as prevail in camp.

The examinations under the foregoing neads to be marked by a board of four officers, all of whom shall be captains Attendance—At all regular drills, rifle practice, ordered parades, annual inspections and the annual encampment, to be based upon the actual number of men pres-ent in uniform for duty, the figures to be

determined from the regular reports and re-Rifle practice-Based on a "figure of merit," deduced from the season's work on the range and in the gallery. These figures to be obtained from the records of the in-

spector general of rifle practice.

Condition of arms—To be inspected once hefore January 1, without notice, and once after January 1, after notice. To be marked by a board of four inspectors of rifle

Condition of property of all kinds, except arms, and condition of quarters—To be inspected once before January 1, without notice, and once after January 1, after notice. To be marked by a board of four quartermasters.

Books and Papers.

To be irrpected once before January 1 without notice, and once after January 1 after notice. To be marked by a board of four adjutants.

Discipline-There shall be no separate markings under this head. Discipline in camp shall be noted under the head of remarks by the board appointed to mark drills, military appearance and guard duty. At the last meeting of the executive committee, in charge of the competition, a subcommittee, consisting of Captain Edwards, Captain Shilling and Lieutenant Robbins, was appointed to draft the scale of ratings contemplated in the report.

Arranging for Camp. Circulars detailing the duties of sentinels have been prepared by Adjutant General Mosher. But they will not be transmitted to company commanders until June 5. The company commanders will be instructed not to issue the circulars until arrival in camp. The idea is that every man in camp shall have a copy of the instructions, while those who remain at home will not get hold of the circulars Colonel Mosher visited Fort Washington

Colonel Mosher visited Fort Washington a few days ago and has arranged a plan for the camp. The details, however, cannot be announced until the plan is approved by General Ordway, who has been away from the city for some time. It may be stated, however, that the camp will be further back along the road from the wharf than heretofore, no organizations being located at a point nearer the fort than further back along the road from the wharf than heretofore, no organizations being located at a point nearer the fort than was the headquarters of the colonel of the list Regiment at the last camp.

A patriotic officer of the guard recently suggested to the commanding research.

A patriotic officer of the guard recently suggested to the commanding general that it might be a good idea to observe flag day—June 12—at camp with appropriate ceremonies, inviting thereto the President of the United States and other prominent officials. In reply General Ordway is reported as saying that the guard is sadly in need of it structions in guard and other military duties, and that there will be no time while at camp for speeches, functions time while at comp for speeches, function

time while at comp for speeches, functions or ceremonics.

In a communication to headquarters Captain E. C. Edwards, Company A. 2d Battalion, has called attention to the various difficulties experienced by government employes in securing leave of absence in order to attend camp. When a government employe makes application for leave and is refused, says Captain Edwards, he is deterred from making complaint for fear of losing his position. If something is not done, he adds, the attendance at camp is likely to be very small. done, he adds, the atter likely to be very small.

Regret at Maj. Bartlett's Resignation The following letter was written by Col. Clay to Major Bartlett, on acceptance of

the latter's resignation:

Dear Major Bartiett: For a year and a half there has been lying in the desk at regimental headquarters a letter from you, inclosing your resignation and giving very good and sufficient reasons why in justice to you it should be accepted. At various times you spoke to me on the matter of leaving the Guard, but my disincilination to let you go always incited me to such force of persuasion as prevailed on you to wait a little longer. The condition of affairs now allows me to give you

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body to the "Greater Store. But there is another chapter to the story-to these two lots that are ours by extraordinary purchase-we shall add every piece of our own stock of best quality French Organdies-and the combined variety of exclusive Parisian novelties will be spread before you.

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Lot 2

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what I know, from our past intercourse, you will take at its true worth, how heartily sorry I am that the pleasant relations which have existed between us in our posi tions in the Guard are to be severed. I have always cited with great satisfaction the fact that the 2d Regiment had on its of its battalions men who had seen real service, and could be depended on, in time of such service again. When occasion re-quired, I never failed to get proper help from your ripe experience, calm judgment and hearty interest in the affairs of the regiment, and I am sorry to lose so com-petent and tried an officer and friend from its ranks. I will be ever, as now, your sincere friend and well-wisher.

Will Compete at Joliet.

Captain Parmenter, quartermaster of the

The 2d Separate Battalion (Engineers) busily engaged considering the work to done by the organization at camp. A sign tower was constructed two years ago, so that a different line of work must be followed during the coming outing. The general meeting of the battalion will be held Saturday, May 29, and important matters are to be discussed.

In a communication to Capt. Edgar A. Shilling, the secretary of the San Antonio Drill Association states that the drill to be held in San Antonio July 17 to 25 will include all movements of the school of the soldier and the school of the company, excepting the extended order and bayonet exercises. The inspection will be held separate from the drill itself.

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The Amateur Rifle Club has decided to participate in the big shooting carnival to be held at Joliet, Ill., June 24 to June 27, inclusive. The club will enter a team of six men, while several others will compete as individuals. In order to select a team, four competitions, open to members of the club, are to be held, the shooting master making the final selection.

A large batch of commi essary by the recent consolidations, are expected to be in the hands of those entitled to them not later than the first of the

2d Regiment, will be assigned to duty as post quarter master during the coming camp

The 2d Regiment has been ordered to assemble Tuesday evening next for another guard mount. It is the intention of Colonel Clay to call such meetings at frequent intervals until departure for camp. Chapel exercises, conducted by the chapitain of the regiment, will be held in the rifle gallery of the armory tomorrow afternoon at 3 of clock.

First Lieut, William H. Mellach, Company A, 5th Battalion, has been granted leave of absence for one month to take effect the 17th instant. Lieut. Boetler of Company C

the release you have so long urged, and which I feel I should no longer refuse. In accepting your resignation I wish to say A, has been transferred to Company C as

Mr. W. G. Austin of Savannah, Ga., a Mr. W. G. Austin of Savannah, Ga., a member of the well-known Georgia rifle team, is in the city for a few days. He has visited the armory and fired several scores in the rifle gallery, expressing himself as highly pleased with the arrangements there. Mr. Austin is considered a wonderful shot, and it is not improbable that he will in the near future make his residence in this city. His coming will be hailed with delight, as Mr. Austin would be a valuable acquisition to the ranks of the local expert marksmen. local expert marksmen.

MR. CHILTON RETURNS.

He Has Been Inspecting the American Consulates Abroad. Robert Chilton, chief of the consular bu

reau of the State Department, has just returned to Washington from a trip of inspection of United States consulates abroad, which has carried him nearly around the world. Mr. Chilton spent some time in Turkey, and more in central and southern Europe. He also went via India to China. Generally he reports that he found the consulates in good shape, but will have a number of recommendations to make look-number of recommend of the service.

Fourth-Class Postmasters. Fourth-class postmasters have been ap pointed as follows:

Maryland-Farmington, Cecil county, W. E. Moore; Necker, Baltimore county, M. V. Necker; Newark, Worcester county, W. E. Davis; Norbeck, Montgomery county, A.

W. Stonestreet.

Virginia—Amissville, Rappahannock county, C. A. Hackiey: Begonia, Prince George's county, J. F. Dvorak; Chestnut Fork, Bedford county, J. A. Wilson; San Marino, Dinwiddie county, C. G. Medlock; Sanville, Henry county, A. A. Cox; Sassafras, Gloucester county, B. F. Weaver; Smithville, Charlotte county, J. H. Ingram; Sperryville, Rappahannock county, C. N. Johnson; Tuggles Gap, Patrick county, Eli Dehart; Utt, Carroll county, T. B. Ashworth; Wadesville, Clarke county, S. L. Pidgeon; Wolftown, Madison county, D. S. Dawson.

Recent Pensions Granted. The following pensions have been grant

District of Columbia-Additional, spe May 14, Francis W. Sanborn: Inc William H. Simms; reissue, Edward E.

William H. Simms; reissue, Edward E. Haley; reissue, Michael Partridge, United States Soldiers' Home.
Maryland — Original, Minus Littleton, Pittsville; Perry Moxley, Hagerstown; Jno. L. Davis, Fairplay; original widows, etc.—Laura M. Devilbies, Frederick.
Virginia—Original, Peter Lewis, Acalon; George Benson, Norfolk; increase, Robert P. Ewing, National Military Home, Elizabeth City; original widows, etc., minors of Peter Baker, Cape Charles.